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6 February 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with COINS Project Manager - 2 Feb 73

1. On 29 January 1973, [] COINS Security Officer, contacted me telephonically conveying a request from [] COINS Project Manager, to arrange a meeting to discuss certain aspects of the proposed ungrading of COINS []. I agreed to meet with [] and we got together at CIA Headquarters on 2 February. [] took part in the discussions.

2. [] began the discussion by citing the conclusions of [] as approved at its 26 January meeting. [] stated that, although on 26 January these conclusions were only in note form, he knew from later contact with [] that they had been formulated on paper and were ready for the signature of the ASD(I) on 30 January. He is confident that the Malkin group report was forwarded to the DCI on schedule, i. e., on 1 February.

3. According to [] the recommendations of [] group are:

a. To free the COINS funds earlier frozen or deleted in FY 73 and FY 74 budgets; the needed funds in FY 74 are to be replaced;

c. To take action to improve progressively the communications portions of the network so that an interactive mode can be achieved;

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- d. To improve the quality of COINS files drastically;
- e. To transfer the COINS executive agent responsibility from DIRNSA to ASD(I);
- f. To institute standards (according to [] this recommendation was not further explained).

[] said that he had attended the 26 January [] meeting and that with the exception of the CIA representative, all principals had completely endorsed these recommendations in a loud voice. [] pinchhitting for the CIA principal, like the other members approved the conclusion on behalf of his Agency but in a lower voice.

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6. Concerning [] first question re my view of his selection of a 1 May target date for upgrading COINS, I provided

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him with the projected schedule of the USIB/CSS COINS upgrading action; I estimated completion of this action on 1 March with a projected reporting by the Security Committee to the IHC in late March.

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7. I expressed my personal view that his 1 May target date was unrealistic, noting that the earliest date that I personally could project was 1 October 1973.

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9. In response to [] question about introducing the NPIC files into COINS I counselled that I was not the proper person to whom such a question ought to be addressed.

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10. In response to my question, [] stated that he had not actually seen the [] report either in final form or in draft.

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11. Since most of our discussion was informal I suggested that the best action at the present time in regard to the whole problem seemed to be to await receipt of the [] report by the

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DCI. I expressed my confidence that the DCI would staff out the recommendations of the [] report []

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12. Our meeting was unusually congenial and I believe that the CSS and the COINS project management can continue to work together in resolving the long term aspects of the COINS upgrading proposal.

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